Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

Unassigned

Unassigned

040373-0317

..... U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control h'd PCT/PTO Substitute for form 1449B/PTO Complete if Known INFORMATION DISCLOSURE **Application Number** Unassigned STATEMENT BY APPLICANT Filing Date 03/21/2002 First Named Inventor Yoshitaka KAWANABE

Group Art Unit

Examiner Name

Attorney Docket Number

Date Submitted: March 21, 2002

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Initials* 1	Cite No. ¹	U.S. Patent Document			Date of Publication of	Pages, Columns, Lines	
		No.1 Number Code ² (if known)		Code ² (if	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		5,061,937	061,937 Ozeki et al.	Ozeki et al.	10/29/1991		
/}-							
U							
			- 				
			 				
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	 				
			 			<u> </u>	
							
					•		
			T				
						"	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document Office ³ Number ⁴ Kind Code ⁵ (if known)			Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Documents	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
Con	A2	JP	02-193088		Toshiba Corp.	07-30-1990		
$\langle a \rangle$	A3	JP	04-088729		Tamura Seisakusho Co. Ltd.	03-23-1992		
6	A4	JP	02-065421		Matsushita Electric Inc. Co. Ltd.	03-06-1990		
n	A5	JP	01-279639		Matsushita Electric Inc. Co. Ltd.	11-09-1989		-
	A6	JP	60-148237		Fujitsu Ltd.	08-05-1985		+
95	A7	JP	2000-295169		NEC Saitama Ltd.	10-20-2000		+
a	_8A	JP	09-130361		Sanyo Electric Co. Ltd.	05-16-1997		+
3	A9_	JP	03-220803		NEC Corp.	09-30-1991		
								+

OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner		Date	, ,
Signature			2/19/25
Oignature	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	Considered	בסוויוג
*EYAMINED	Initial if reference considered whether the state of the		

ed, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, D.C.

¹ Unique citation designation number. 2See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. 3Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Standard ST. 16 if possible. Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.





tty. Docket No.	04914.0041		Serial No.			
Applicant	Alessandro VASTA	<u> </u>				
Filing Date	March 19, 2002	Group:			···	
		,	T DOCUMENTS		 	
Examiner Initial*	Document Number	Issue Date	Name	Class	Sub Class	Filing Date If Appropriate
Co	5,620,608	4/15/97	Rosa et al.	210`	739	
O						
						J
						
						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	-		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
		FOREIGN PAT	ENT DOCUMENT	s		
	Document Number	Publication Date	Country	Class	Sub Class	Translation Yes or No
an	0 623 357 A1	11/9/94	Europe			
Can	WO98/35747	8/20/98	WIPO			
U						
		L		L	LL	
	OTHER DOCUME	NTS (Including Au	ıthor, Title, Date,	Pertinent F	Pages, Etc.)	

Examiner	Sura Then	Date Considered 8119 05				
*Examiner:	Initial if reference considered through citation if not in conformmunication to applicant.	sidered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; draw line in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next licant.				
Form PTO 1449		Patent and Trademark Office - U.S. Department of Commerce				